4.(amended) A formulation as claimed in claim 1 in which the flavours are a mixture natural flavouring substances, artificial flavouring substances and Nature-identical flavouring substances.

5.(amended) A formulation as claimed in claim 1 in which the major components of the flavours are furonol, maltol, ethyl vanillin, ethyl butyrate, *cis*-3-hexenol, δ-dodecalactone, furanone, propylene glycol, 4-(p-hydroxyphenyl)-2-butanone, gum arabic, ethyl acetate and diacetyl.

7.(amended) A formulation as claimed in claim 1 in which the flavour is provided as a dry powder with the flavour encapsulated in a base.

8.(amended) A formulation as claimed in claim 1 in which the dosage is provided as a unit dose in a sachet, for addition to water immediately prior to use, or, for oral administration to paediatric patients, adapted for reconstitution into a multiple dose aqueous suspension.

9.(amended) A formulation as claimed in claim 1 which comprises amoxycillin and clavulanate in a weight ratio which is 4:1, 7:1, 8:1, or 14:1.

10.(amended) A formulation as claimed in claim 1 which comprises granules of amoxycillin and/or amoxycillin and potassium clavulanate.

14.(amended) A formulation as claimed in claim 10 which comprises as extra-granular excipients silica gel (to give an overall total of from about 5 to 15 % by weight of the formulation), carboxymethylcellulose sodium salt (present in from about 3 to 6% by weight of the formulation), xanthan gum (present in from about .2 to 1% by weight of the formulation), sodium benzoate, colloidal silica and magnesium stearate and a sweetening agent.

15.(amended) A formulation as claimed in claim 1, having:

(a) a 8:1 ratio of amoxycillin : clavulanate which has the following composition:

Amoxycillin trihydrate 100% of theory (equivalent to 3000mg Amoxycillin 100%)	3443.22 mg
Potassium Clavulanate 100% of theory (equivalent to 375mg Clavulanic acid 100%)	446.79

CLPVP (intra-granular)	103.29
Silica gel (intra-granular)	44.68
Silica gel (extra-granular)	500.00
Xanthan gum	25.20
Carboxymethylcellulose sodium salt	250.00
Sodium benzoate	51.00
Hydrophobic colloidal silica	15.00
Aspartame	96.00
Magnesium stearate	10.00
Creamy strawberry flavour	150.00
Total weight	5135.50 mg.

Please add the following claims:

16 (new) A formulation as claimed in claim 1 having a 7:1 ratio of amoxycillin:clavulanate which has the following compositio:

Amoxycillin trihydrate 100% of theory (equivalent to 400 mg Amoxycillin 100%)	472.81 mg
Potassium Clavulanate 100% of theory (equivalent to 60 mg Clavulanic acid 100%)	71.51 mg
CLPVP (intra-granular)	14.18
Silica gel (intra-granular)	7.151
Silica gel (extra-granular)	86.66
Xanthan gum	4.42
Carboxymethylcellulose sodium salt	43.42
Sodium benzoate	51.00
Hydrophobic colloidal silica	2.60
Aspartame	16.64
Magnesium stearate	1.73
Creamy strawberry flavour	26.00
Total weight (5 ml)	798.121 mg.

17 (new). A formulation as claimed in claim 14 wherein the silica gel is present from about 8 to 12% by weight.

18 (new). A formulation as claimed in claim 14 wherein the sweetening agent is aspartame.

REMARKS

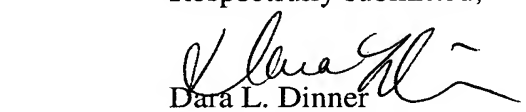
This Preliminary Amendment is being made upon entry of International Application No. PCT/EP00/08048 in the U.S. §371 national phase of prosecution. Claims 1, 4, 5, 7 to 10, 14 and 15 have been amended. Claims 16 to 18 have been added. Claims 1 to 18 are in the application. Support for the newly added claims lie in the original claims.

A marked version of the amended claims accompanies this paper.

An abstract on a separate sheet of paper accompanies this request.

Should the Examiner have any questions or wish to discuss any aspect of this case, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned at the number below. If any additional fees or charges are required by this paper the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit account 19-2570 accordingly.

Respectfully submitted,



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